



# London Statement on Undergraduate Research

## Strengthening Global Support for Undergraduate Research

Undergraduate research—defined as a mentored investigation or creative inquiry conducted by undergraduates that contributes to scholarly or artistic knowledge—is a transformative educational experience with far-reaching benefits. This high-impact, inquiry-based learning practice fosters critical thinking, problem-solving, and innovation across disciplines. Engaging in research provides students with clarified career paths, preparation for graduate study, and enhanced workforce readiness for an increasingly complex and interconnected world. Undergraduate research cultivates evidence-based reasoning and experiential learning that is needed more than ever to address increasing global challenges.

Connecting at this year's Posters in Parliament event in London, we met afterwards to explore ways to strengthen our international collaboration. Inspired by our shared commitment to undergraduate research and in recognition of the growing momentum to develop undergraduate research worldwide, we are taking steps to significantly enhance our partnering to support the institutionalization of an undergraduate research network throughout Europe and the fostering of global networks among undergraduate research mentors, institutions, and organizations.

Our next steps will prioritize supporting the establishment of Posters in Parliament events in a growing number of European countries and instituting clear guidelines for research mentoring across diverse educational systems. By working together, we aim to embed undergraduate research as a core academic practice, ensuring that students everywhere benefit from the power of discovery, inquiry, and innovation.

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On behalf of the signatory institutions and networks

## The signatory institutions and networks

**Posters in Brussels** (Erasmus+project, [www.postersinbrussels.eu](http://www.postersinbrussels.eu))  
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